

1852?

propagation can
be put forward
as well as what
I did not
think to write
in letters when
I began.

Wm. May,
Newburyport, Mass.

March 2.

I suppose some little
notice of the recent sale should
be inserted in the Liberator, &
I have therefore written a few
lines. People like to know what
money is made, on such an
occasion, & moreover Mrs Chapman
was anxious that the money
contributed by Webb & Miss Sturge
should be acknowledged.

Lavinia did not know precisely
what the receipts were, so I
have left a blank which
you will have the kindness to
fill. After all the debts of the
sale are paid, the residue can be
paid over to the Mass Society. This

is better, I think, than paying
me all to the Misses & having
the expenses appear.

The dates on Mrs Eddy's box Mr
Jackson will know.

My brother's address is

R. W. Weston

Messrs Goodhue & Co.

I believe this is the last
communication on the Fair question
for which circumstances you
must be devoutly thankful.
You have one advantage over me
(or is it your superior power of
self control?) You never seem
to know how much you are under-
going.

I hope to send herewith a Disunion
petition from the women. I have
not been able to carry it about &
so was obliged to postpone all

action till Lucia's return. A petition
with a few men's names has been
sent already.

Pray tell Mr Wallcut with my
best regards, that as "Jane Eyre" was
the woe of last winter's snow storm,
to this year I have betaken myself
to Thackeray's "Vanity Fair." ~~also~~. It is
very different, & very inferior to Jane
but is a very readable book. There
is an excessively foolish Review of
both these works in the last
London Quarterly. It says one true thing
however - that people's opinion of Jane
Eyre is a test of character.

We heard from Fanny by the
last steamer. Mrs Chapman was not
well, suffering under a bad Influenza.
The rest of the party have been
to see her sisters & Rachel & were
chained with her. They had received
news of the Fair & thought our
success very great.
They were thinking

whether some arrangement
could be made by which a fair
could be held in any foreign
city, but let this be strictly
entre nous, for all arrangements
whether of peace war, love or
displeasing had better be kept
private until they are "fixed first".
I shall come in town whenever a
Board Meeting takes place about
the Standard. I think its continuance
a vital matter - As to a Sabbath
Convention, & a Woman Convention (if
any body thinks of holding one)
with they were both at California.
If any body believed in Satan now
a days, I should say they were his
clerics, to draw away the time & money
(& worse than that, the fervour and
enthusiasm) of Abolitionists from the
Cause. Mind you, I do not blame
folks if their consciences tell them to
get up these things, any more than I do
those who wish to hold Conventions
about the five points, or Infant Baptism.
I'm only sorry people have such
consciences just now. I do not esteem the Sabbath